

# Italy Calls on Allies to Avert

**Fascist Rule**

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**Envoy at Paris 'Said to Have Put Plea Before Poincare, Who Regards Proposal With Favor**

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**Control of Foreign Affairs Dreaded**

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**Rome Cabinet's Repeal of Martial Law Looked On**

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PARIS, Oct. 28.—Count Sforza, Italian Ambassador to France, according to an Italian diplomatic official, to-day asked the Allied governments to intervene in the Italian crisis and prevent the Fascist from taking the executive power into their hands.

The French government is understood to sympathize with the idea since, at the coming Lausanne conference, it would prefer meeting representatives from Italy who are

more experienced in Near Eastern affairs than the youthful Fascist leaders.

Count Sforza asked Premier Poincaré to bring pressure to bear on Rome for the formation of a new government which will accord the Fascists representation, but which will be headed by a strong political figure, such as Giolitti or Orlando.

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If the reactionary revolutionists assume power, Count Sforza said, they would create havoc with international relations as a result of their inexperience in diplomacy. Their first move, he asserted, would be to cancel all existing agreements.

and to refuse to evacuate Dalmatia, which Italy occupied up to the time of the break-up of the Austrian Empire prior to the actual formation of Yugoslavia. Italy has a very important and notably poor spot since the peninsula and once necessitated the presence of American warships to prevent war between Italy and Serbia.

The Fascisti also are prepared to demand substantial mandates over former Turkish lands in the Near East, and they oppose the existing French and British mandates. They also claim a large zone of influence in Asia Minor, which, they say, is necessary for the very existence as a state of Turkey and an outlet for the excess population. The ceding of the part of Syria they demand, however, would be in direct opposition to French

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ROME, Oct. 28.—Martial law was proclaimed throughout Italy at noon to-day as a result of the Fascisti uprising in the northern districts and their threatened march on Rome. Two hours later, however, the proclamation was rescinded because of an "improvement in the situation."

The only possible explanation of this statement, in view of the evident actual gravity of the situation, is that the government has surrendered to the Fascisti threat, and is handing over the power to them as the sole means of averting civil war.

Italy's man of the hour, Benito Mussolini, the Fascisti chief, is hurrying toward Rome on the urgent invitation of Premier Facta, and he is expected to take control of the situation.

News from the provinces is difficult to obtain because of the cutting of the telegraph lines in the southern and northern Italy, but it was learned that the Fascisti are masters of some of the most important towns of the north. At the present time, the only town of any importance uprising, which was staged about a month ago, was the one centered in the Province of Tuscany, whence the insurgents threatened to march on the capital by way of Pisa. The Fascisti, however, had clashed between Fascisti and the police in the north in Lombardy, where at Cremona four Fascisti were killed. At most places, however, the Fascisti seem to have been able to keep the peace, fighting local troops or the police, who were either overawed or—what seems to be the case in the majority of cases—sided with the Fascisti.

Carabinieri started to offer resistance at Florence, but there the Fascisti succeeded in occupying the postoffice. At the headquarters of the Italian post office in the barracks, apparently in the confidence of government forces, since no fighting is reported from there. A

The Fascists declare that, whatever happens, they are determined the constitutional institutions of Italy shall be restored. They are, however, credited with the statement that "not only

lar party desire peace, but the Fascisti themselves are anxious for a government which shall guarantee a peaceful future to the country." According to a leading Fascisti deputy, that organization will implicitly obey its leaders.

**King Returns Hastily**

There was a panic on the Stock Exchange yesterday, due to the rush to realise securities and order the transfer of money out of the kingdom, but the financial situation was not when the market closed. The Premier has decided not to see the King, who made a hasty return to the capital from Spassore, until after his meeting with